

Item 10: Future role and method of work of the Committee.

By. (to be informed)

Thank You Madam Chair,

Indonesia believes that this session would be a prompt and constructive forum to guarantee that Legal subcommittee is beneficial, favorable, and inclusive forum to discuss international cooperation on the issue of space for peaceful uses.

Indonesia has scrutinized carefully the document A/AC.105/C.1/L.384 entitled Governance and method of work of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its subsidiary bodies.

According to the Multi-year workplan on the document, in 2021 the Secretariat, jointly with interested members of the Group of Bureaux Members, provided the second revised version in all the official languages of the United Nations for final input of the two subcommittees. The document was to be updated in all the official languages of the United Nations, for action by the Committee. However, the cancellation of the Legal Subcommittee for the 59th Session and the 63rd Session of the Committee in 2020 caused delay discussions of the document.

My delegation welcome to further discuss the document and we hope that any inputs from the scientific and technical subcommittee meeting and the legal subcommittee can be finalized so the document can be submitted to the committee at the 65th session to be further implemented.

Madam Chair,

In the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, my delegation welcomes a hybrid meeting format with live webcasts and interpretations which allow many delegates from all parts of the globe to participate without having to travel to Vienna. This strengthens the inclusiveness and transparency of our work.

In this regard, Indonesia wishes the possibility of maintaining a hybrid format for subsequent sessions of the Committee and its subcommittees, including once the COVID-19 pandemic has passed.

Indonesia would also like to propose to the UNCOPUOS, a fixed force majeure procedure in crisis situation, including for example a pandemic that we have been encountering since 2020 which has caused the suspension of Legal Subcommittee and Committee meetings. In addition, Indonesia hopes that we should have a smooth webcast and comprehensive digital recording.

Thank You